

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:

In the ~~over~~ other hand, the pLP7 and pLP8 vectors were linearized by *Eco*RI and also treated with T4 DNA polymerase to provide blunt ends. The TNOS terminator was then cloned in the correct orientation in the pLP7 and pLP8 vectors leading to the vectors p11STNOS7 and p11STNOS7+, respectively.